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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER
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Washington, D.C. 20231

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated November 23, 2001, of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-57 of the above-identified patent application.

A request for oral hearing is submitted herewith along with payment of the required fee.

A request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's rejection is submitted herewith along with payment of the required extension fee.

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